

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the subject application. Claims 85-87, 92-93, and 99-100 have been canceled. Claims 77-84, 88-91, 94-98, and 101 are pending, of which claims 77, 88, 94, 98, and 101 have been amended to place the application in condition for allowance.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 87, 93, and 101 are indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form (*Office Action* p.7). Applicant appreciates the indication of allowability.

Independent claim 77 is amended to include the elements of claim 86 and allowable claim 87 (now canceled). Accordingly, claim 77 along with dependent claims 78-84 are in condition for allowance.

Independent claim 88 is amended to include the elements of claim 92 and allowable claim 93 (now canceled). Accordingly, claim 88 along with dependent claims 89-91 are in condition for allowance.

Independent claims 94 and 98 are amended to include the allowable feature of deriving a time-to-live tag based upon a time since the content was last updated, as indicated by the Office (Office Action p.7). Accordingly, claim 94 along with dependent claims 95-97 as well as claim 98, are in condition for allowance.

Claim 101 is rewritten in independent form, and is in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, all pending claims 77-84, 88-91, 94-98, and 101 are in condition for allowance and Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to claims 87, 93, and 101 be withdrawn.

Non-Statutory Double Patenting

Claims 85-86, 92, and 99-100 are rejected under the judicial doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. Claims 85-86, 92, and 99-100 are canceled herein and Applicant respectfully requests that the double patenting rejection be withdrawn.

35 U.S.C. §103 Claim Rejections

Claims 77-84, 88-91, and 94-98 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,978,567 to Rebane et al. and/or U.S. Patent No. 5,617,417 to Sathe et al. (Office Action pp. 2, 5).

Claims 77-84, 88-91, and 94-98 are all in condition for allowance as described above, and Applicant respectfully requests that the §103 rejection be withdrawn.

Respectfully Submitted,

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